



I cannot believe how quickly this half term is flying by. So much has happened since the last newsletter with different events and children school trips. There is a sense of normality returning to school life which is wonderful for everyone.



The highlight of my week this week was a visit to the Guildhall to watch a group of year 6 pupils perform at the Soundsensational concert arranged by the Portsmouth Music Hub. They represented KACP with pride and there was no sign of stage fright when performing. It was a very special moment for everyone involved.

Year 5 have been off on a school trip, exploring Southsea castle and its surrounding grounds. The children enjoyed every moment of the experience and the teachers felt incredibly proud of all the children. Mr Dearing and his class will be going next week.

Enjoy the newsletter and make sure you put dates in your diary, we have lots of exciting things happening in school.

Please ensure that you let the school office know that morning if your child is going to be absent and the reason for their absence. The easiest way to do this is via the **Studybugs App** but you can also call or email the school office.



Although we are not able to authorise holidays during term time, we do still require you to fill in a Leave of Absence form so that your child's absence can be recorded accurately. These are available from the school office. By completing this form, it will also prevent the office needing to make contact with you on the first day of absence.

MISS SCHOOL MISS OUT

Attendance Stars

Well done for improving your attendance!			
Infant School		Junior School	
Friday 11 th March	Friday 18 th March	Friday 11 th March	Friday 18 th March
Year R Butterflies	Year R Butterflies	Year 3 Holmes	Year 4 Ainslie
Year 1 Hedgehogs	Year 1 Badgers	Year 4 Ainslie	Year 5 Sharman
Year 2 Panthers	Hedgehogs	Year 5 Fiennes	Year 6 Brunel
Tigers	Rabbits	McArthur Peake	Pankhurst Seacole
		Year 6 Brunel Carrol Pankhurst Seacole	



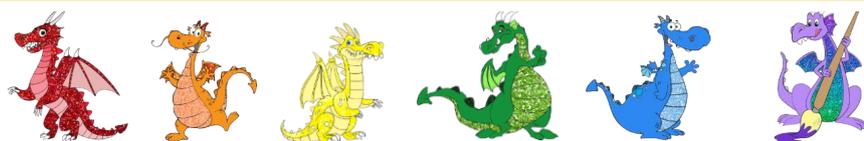
DIARY DATES

- Monday 21st March:** 1.30pm MHST Parent drop in
- Tuesday 22nd March:** 2.15pm EYFS Parent drop in
- Thursday 24th March:** 2.15pm Year 1 & 2 Parent drop in
- Tuesday 29th March:** 2.15pm Year 3 & 4 Parent drop in
3.15pm Year 6 SATS Parents meeting
- Wednesday 30th March:** 9.05am Year 2 SATS Parents meeting
- Thursday 31st March:** 2.15pm Year 5 & 6 Parent drop in
4.45pm Year 2 SATS Parents meeting

WELCOME!

We want to say a big KACP welcome to our new teaching staff who have joined us this half term!

Welcome to Mrs Hoyland, who is the new class teacher for Dragonfly Class, and Miss Stone, who is the new class teacher in Ainslie Class!





DRAGON SPOTTING



**We love to see how our pupils are demonstrating the school values both in and out the classroom!
Here is a snapshot of the values in action!**

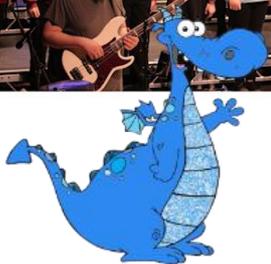
Reception have really enjoyed looking after the ducklings and watching them grow. This week we watched the ducks swimming in water for the first time. They have been showing responsibility by caring for these ducklings and treating them gently.



Mrs Watson was super impressed by the creativity shown by Dylan in her class who created this fox independently and from memory using chalks.



We are also incredibly proud of our Year 6 choir pupils who blew the roof off the Guildhall on Wednesday at Soundsational. They showed fantastic teamwork, not only in their vocal skills, but representing the school at a local event.





Year 6 have been incredibly resilient this week – after a long week of practice SATs papers. They also enjoyed some cooking lessons – learning how to make cheese and tomato pastries.



Our Year 3 pupils have been having visits from Zoolab – being very brave and challenging themselves to hold creatures that they usually might be scared of! They have loved every minute of it!



YEAR 5 SCHOOL TRIP

As part of their topic learning, Year 5 have visited Southsea Castle this week and explored the area.





PTA UPDATE

Friends of KACP will be holding their Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 27th April at 5:30pm in the junior school hall.

Everyone is welcome! So please join us to hear about the activities that we have carried out in the past year, and the exciting plans for the year ahead.

Who are Friends of KACP?

Friends of Kings Academy College Park (Previously Friends of College Park and Lyndhurst Junior School) are a group of parents, carers, grandparents and teachers who carry out activities and raise money for items and activities for the children at Kings Academy College Park.

Set up in 2020, so far we have been able to raise funds for:

- Coding equipment
- Board games and card games for use during wet play
- Christmas activities
- Year 6 Leavers disco



We have also run activities such as the Halloween trail, Christmas jumper and fancy dress stalls, and organised the Year 2 tea towels and Year 6 hoodies.



Can I be a part of Friends of KACP?

Absolutely, we would love to have you join us!

There are a few ways that you can get involved:

- 1) **Become a committee member:** Committee members for the following roles will be elected at the AGM on 27th April.
 - o Chair/Co-Chair – Responsible for directing meetings and ensures the committee fulfils its role. Acts as primary liaison with the school.
 - o Treasurer – Manages the PTA bank account and ensures that financial records are accurate and up to date.
 - o Secretary – Takes minutes at meetings, handles correspondence and supports the chair

If you would like to apply for one of these roles, please contact us at friendsofcpljschools@gmail.com giving your name and which role(s) you are interested in, by **Monday 25th April**.

- 2) **Support our activities:** We are very grateful for any time that you are able to offer to support the activities carried out by Friends of KACP. The more support we have, the more wonderful activities we will be able to carry out.

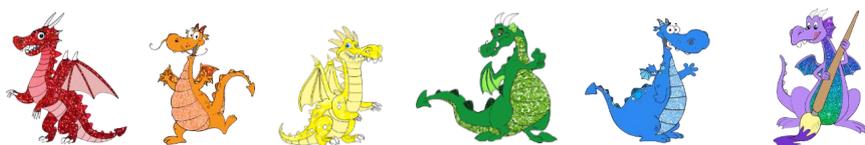
Contact us at friendsofcpljschools@gmail.com if you are able to volunteer your time.

- 3) **Join our meetings:** where you will be able to have a say in the activities that we run and the way that our funds are spent.

Meeting dates are published in the KACP newsletter. Contact us at friendsofcpljschools@gmail.com to be added to the distribution list to receive meeting joining details.

How can I find out more?

You can get in touch with any questions via our email address friendsofcpljschools@gmail.com, or follow us on Facebook (Search for **Friends of KACP**)



Singing Challenge!



Mrs Bannister-Palmer has set some challenges following this week's singing assemblies.

To link in with 'Eat them to defeat them' the new song is 'A World of Fruit and Veg'.



Challenge 1: Access and practise the song via the Portsmouth Music Hub website. Click on 'Song Source' - Enter - Songbooks - Lettuce Sing - A world of fruit and veg.

Challenge 2: Find out about the new fruits and veg mentioned in the song. Draw/write/taste.

Challenge 3: On a map, can you locate all of the countries mentioned in the song?



Please bring any work / photos, etc in to Mrs Bannister-Palmer for our Singing Assembly Book.
Have fun!

IMPORTANT NOTICE – CONDUCT ON THE PLAYGROUND

Parents and carers are asked to ensure that they do not take photos or videos of any children on school premises. This present a safeguarding concern.

We are updating our policy on the use of mobile phones by staff, pupils and parents and will be sharing this with you shortly.

We would like to remind you that dogs are not permitted on the playground, even if they are being carried.

Term dates coming up:

March 2022						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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April 2022						
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May 2022						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31				

Please note that Year 6 SATs will take place from Monday 9th May with the last assessment on Thursday 12th May.

It is important that your child is in school for these dates as this is the only opportunity they will have to sit these assessments.

I am sure you are aware that Covid is still very much part of our day to day lives. As a school we have experienced high staff absence due to Covid. However, the staff have been incredible as always at going above and beyond to ensure that the children have the best possible experiences during their time here at KACP. On that note, please take care and stay safe.

Best wishes, Mrs Carlyle

